

JACOB JERO.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 726.]

JANUARY 16, 1857.

MR. KILLIAN MILLER, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions,  
made the following

REPORT

*The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Jacob Jero, only surviving child of Baptiste Jero, praying for the arrears of pension due to his mother, the widow of the said Baptiste Jero, who was a sergeant in the revolutionary war, report:*

The petitioner states that his said father, Baptiste Jero, was a sergeant in the regiment commanded by General Hasen, in the continental line of the army of the revolutionary war, for more than two years, and was entitled to a pension under the act of June 7, 1832. That at the time of the passage of said act he was a resident of Canada, and before he could make arrangements, after said act was made known to him, and before he could proceed to the States to obtain its benefit, he died, to wit, on the 20th day of November, 1837, leaving a widow surviving him, to whom he was married July 27, 1795.

That his mother made application for a pension on account of the services of her said husband, under the pension act of July 29, 1848, and proved her right thereto, as he is informed; but the pension department suspended her claim for further proof, and that before she could look about for the positive proof of a living witness of her husband's services she died, to wit, on the 18th day of May, 1854, and the petitioner claims he is justly entitled to the arrears of pension due to his said father and mother, and prays that the proofs on file in the pension office may be produced before Congress that they may grant the pension.

The committee have examined carefully the evidence sent from the pension office and other testimony, and they find the facts as set forth in the petition to be substantially supported, and that from some further evidence submitted in regard to the identity of the soldier and his widow, and their deaths, they are satisfied that the said Baptiste Jero served as a sergeant two years previous to the first day of November, 1782, in the Canadian regiment, commanded by General

Moses Hasen. That such a person served the term aforesaid is shown by a certificate from the secretary of State's office at Albany, New York, which gives an exemplification of an original return made by General Hasen himself, and sworn to by him on the 27th day of January, 1785, and filed in the secretary's office, on which return the said Baptiste Jero was further entitled to certain lands promised to be given as bounty lands. The record of his services being produced, with the most satisfactory evidence as to identity, and the record of the marriage and death being properly certified, your committee are of opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief, and they report a bill accordingly.